

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Thursday, May, 15 1729.

From the Daily Post Boy, May 7.

Paris, May 11.

THEY write from Seville, that their Catholic Majesties, since their Arrival at that Place, had been to visit the Gallies, from each of which they were pleased to set free four of the Slaves. They say the Queen will stay in that City to lie in; upon which Occasion there have been publick Rejoicings throughout the whole Province of Andalusia.

Bristol, May 3. There happening lately a Quarrel betwixt a young Gentleman and a Tradesman of this City, the latter gave the former a Challenge to fight him at Sword and Pistol, which he accepted, and accordingly went this Morning to the Nine Trees (the Place appointed for deciding the Dispute) near the City, with one Friend with him, where he stood provided with a Sword and a Pair of Pistols, expecting his Antagonist armed & equipped with the like Utensils; but to his no little Surprize, the Tradesman brought up his Mother, &c. for Seconds, with a rusty Pistol without any Flint; and in stead of performing his Challenge, declined fighting with Pistols, and would have boxed the said Gentleman, his Mother offering 10 Guineas upon his Head; which the Gentleman declined, as not being according to the Challenge.

'Tis assured that the Relief of insolvent Debtors will reach 500 l. to any Man or Woman; and that the Bankrupt Act is notwithstanding to remain in full Force touching Bankrupts.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, May 10.

No Foreign Mails this Post.

THE Advices from Portsmouth relate, That on Thursday last the *Severn*, of 50 Guns, was under Sail for Gibraltar; That the Ships there and at Spithead, were the *Princess Amelia* and *Coromwall*, of 80 Guns each, the *Monmouth*, *Grafton* and *Kent*, of 70, the *Dreadnought*, *Lyon* and *Kingston*, of 60; the *Winchester* and *Falkland*, of 50, the *Flamborough*

and *Perimabon*, of 20 Guns each; and the following Ships are in the Harbour, and soon expected out, viz. the *Bermick*, of 70 Guns, the *Oxford*, *Portland* and *Kingsale*, of 50 Guns; and another of 50 Guns is fitting out.

'Tis hard to imagine that the Spaniards, seeing us possess'd with such a Naval Power, should, after all the Insolencies they have committed, still continue obdurate, and even to give Occasion as a Letter from Gibraltar of the 5th past advises) to believe, that they will hold no Faith, whenever an Opportunity offers for making another Push at that Place to Advantage.

Yesterday there was a Board of Admiralty, and 'tis said they resolv'd to put several more Ships in Commission; and that Orders were sent to Deptford to get more Gallies ready with the utmost Expedition.

The Lord Viscount Townshend's Baggage is to be carried on board the *Fab's* Yacht for Hanover, next Monday.

On Wednesday died the Rev. Dr. Shalford, Canon of Christ's College, Oxford. And this Morning died of a Fever, Joseph Goddman, Esq; Secretary to the General Post-office.

Yesterday the Commissioners of the Excise, Customs, also the Postmaster General, delivered at the Bar of the House of Lords, the several Accounts of the neat Produce of the Civil List; and their Lordships ordered to go into a Committee of the whole House on Saturday, on the Bill for settling the Price of Corn imported, wherein is a Clause for supplying the Deficiency of the Civil List; and that the Accounts relating thereto be referred to the same Committee.

The Bill for establishing an Agreement with 7 of the Proprietars of Carolina, for the Surrender of their Interest and Title of that Province to his Majesty, was reported without Amendment. Read a first Time the Bill for laying a Duty of 5 sh. per Gallon, upon Compound Spirits and Waters, commonly

monly called Gin, for licensing the Retailers thereof paying *L.* 20 per Annum after Candlemass next, to which Time the Distillers are allowed to sell off their Stock. We hear Foreign Brandy is already risen 1 sh. per Gallon. Mean time 'tis provided, that nothing in the forementioned Act shall be construed to extend to, or lay any of the Duties imposed by this Act on Arrack, Rum, Citron Water or Usquebaugh usually imported from the Indies, or any of the British Plantations, nor on any British Brandy in which any Ingredients shall be used for rectifying the same; only, so that the Ingredients to be used therein be such, as shall not alter or reduce the same into Mixture or Compound Waters, or under Proof, nor from any Spirits made from Malt in Scotland, which are commonly known by the Name of *Aquavita*; which Bill the Lords read to Day a second Time, and committed it for Tuesday; and passed the Carolina Bill: And in a Committee on the Bill relating to Corn, it was, on the Question put, agreed, that so much of the Clause as relates to the Sum of *L.* 115,000 to be allowed his Majesty, shall stand Part of the Bill, Content 69, Not content 19; and then it was agreed that the whole appropriating Clause should stand Part of the Bill. S. S. Stock, 100 1 Half.

From the St. James's Evening-Post, May 10.

Extract of a Letter from Gibraltar, April 5. O. S.

We are assured by private Advice, that Spain never was more intent on obtaining this Place than now, and that whatever they do or consent to, is with a View to gain their Ends; and we have Cause to believe, that they'll hold no Faith, whenever Opportunity offers for making another Push against this Place to Advantage. It is advised, they have it in Agitation, and that Capt. Machado (who now lives at Algezira, and who you remember went in this Garrison by the Name of Capt. Cabbage, who is a very busy stirring Man; and went out of this Town full of Resentment, for his supposed ill Usage, and was very active against us last Siege) has been twice to the Court near Cadiz, in private, with the Marquis de la Paz and Patino, consulting which will be the best Method and Place to attack us in. They have most, if not all their Ships at Cadiz, rigged and manned, and give out, that after going abroad with his Majesty, is without Foundation. S. S. Stock, 98, 7 8ths. *Edin-*

for Parma. These are the Reports at present. Mr. Keen, our Ambassador, is with the Court of Spain, and doubtless hath advised our Court the needful. Our Governor is acquainted with these Advices, but seems no ways apprehensive: He is very careful, and will be ready to receive them whenever they come. Two Days ago came in a new Spanish Consul, in order to stay here, as he imagined, but bringing no Approval from our Court, he was not admitted, but returned to St. Roque the same Evening, by Water as he came. It was pretty modest to send hither a Consul, when not so much as a Boat of theirs is suffered to come to bring us the least Thing; nor have we any Communication by Land; nor will they admit into the Ports of Spain, any English Ship which hath called in here, and their Troops continue in their Huts very near us. In Port is the *Leostoff*, who may go for Lisbon ere long, and the *Winchelsea*, which attends the Governor's Orders in case of Need.

London, May 10. We are credibly informed that when his Majesty goes abroad this Summer to visit his German Dominions, and to receive the Investiture of his Electorate, which we hear must be done in Germany, according to the Laws of the Empire, the Queen, their Royal Highnesses, &c. will reside at Kensington till his Majesty's Return which will be about the Beginning of August, and then their Majesties will go to Windsor, and continue there during the hunting Season.

From the Daily Post-Boy, May 10.

Frankfort, May 8. We hear that the Imperial Regiments in Silesia are forthwith to be reinforced by several others from the hereditary Countries.

Paris, May 11. The French Troops are in Motion all over the Kingdom, in changing their Quarters; and Additions are making to several of the Garisons in Flanders. The King has also named Inspectors of the Marine.

The Countess of Seaforth, Mother to the Lord of that Name, is on the Road to Paris.

London, May 10. We are informed that her Majesty will be left sole Regent during the Time of the King's Absence in visiting his German Dominions. The Report of his Royal Highness the Duke's donation. S. S. Stock, 98, 7 8ths. *Edin-*

Edinburgh, May 13. A great Quantity of false Halfpence having of late been imported into this City and Country, and uttered as the real Coin of the Realm; the Honourable Magistrates of this City, in Conjunction with His Majesty's Solicitor, have signally exerted themselves in not only seizing all such false Coinage, but also in issuing Warrants against several Persons suspected guilty of the said Coinage. 'Tis thought, that nothing but a Copper Coinage in Scotland can possibly prevent the counterfeiting His Majesty's Coin, and the manifest Prejudice that thereby must unavoidably ensue to His Majesty's Lieges; the real Copper Coin being so exceeding scarce.

Some Persons have already been taken up and committed in consequence of the above Warrants. Their Honours (the Magistrates) have lately contracted with several Fishers, to provide the City with Fish at the easiest Rates possible, whereby the Inhabitants will be serv'd at one Half cheaper than they have been for some time past; the Dealers that way having of late very much extorted that Commodity. Accordingly, several Cartloads of Fish were brought to Town last Tuesday, which the Magistrates ordered their Servants to sell out at prime Cost, without any Consideration, save the Prayers of the Poor and the Pleasure of doing Good.

On Tuesday the General Assembly came to the following Resolution touching Mr. *Simson's* Case, viz. "That Mr. *John Simson*, by what hath been found relevant and proven in the Process against him, and also by his neglecting so many Opportunities, as he had during the Course thereof, of giving Satisfaction to the Judicatories of the Church, when call'd so to do, as to the Soundness of his Faith concerning these important Articles about which he was call'd in question, had given such Offence, as renders it not fit or safe that he should further Teach as a Professor of Divinity in this Church: Therefore the General Assembly did, and hereby do Ratify and Confirm the Sentence of the last Assembly, SUSPENDING the said Mr. *John Simson* from Preaching and Teaching, and all the Exercise of any Ecclesiastical Power or Function, until another General Assembly think fit to take off this Sentence; and also give it as their Judgment, That it is not fit or safe that he be further employed in Teaching

Divinity, and Instructing of Youth design'd for the holy Ministry of this Church. And that the Judicatories of this Church may have no more Trouble about this Process; the General Assembly have thought fit, that, for Peace's sake, this whole Affair concerning Mr. *Simson* should rest here."

Tomorrow (the last Day of the Moon) it is High Water at Leith at 1 o' Clock, 30 Minutes. On Saturday, (the 1st Day of the Moon) at 2, 18 Min. On Monday, at 3, 54 Min.

Early this Morning that noted Thief and Rogue Campbell, with two of his Accomplices, broke out of the Tolbooth, and got clear off. So that the Country People would do well to keep a sharp Look-out this Night.

ADVERTISEMENT S.

¶ That upon Thursday the 22d Instant, at 10 of the Clock before Noon, there are to be expos'd to voluntary Roup, at the Barns within the Parks of Carristoun, being 3 Miles West from the Town of Brechin, and 5 Miles North of the Town of Forfar in Angus, the Dispenfishing of the Mains of Carristoun, and other Rooms or Mailings in the Possession of George Skene of that ilk, such as Horses, Nolt, Sheep, and labouring Utensils of all Kinds. Item, A fine new Coach never used, and proper Harness for 6 Horses. Item, A Chaise, and Harness for 2 Horses. Item, A new English Cart of the largest Size, with 2 Pair of Wheels. Item, Two fine young Coach Mares, 5 Years old this Grass, and both with Foal. Item, A fine young stoned Horse, 6 Years old this Grass. Item, Some Cows, young Cows and Stots of the best Breed.

N. B. All the above Particulars may be seen at Carristoun any Time before the Roup, which is to be continued from Time to Time till all be sold.

¶ To be Sold by publick Roup, by Alexander Mitchell of that ilk, James Armour and William Millar, Writers to the Signet, and James Nasmyth of Earlsburgh Writers in Edinburgh, Trustees for the Creditors of the deceased SAMUEL MACCELLAN of BARCLAY, upon Tuesday the 17th of June next, in the House of Patrick Herdman Vintner, Edinburgh, betwixt 3 & 4 after Noon, in Whole-sale or Parcels, the Lands and Estate sometime belonging to the said Samuel Maccellan, consisting of the following Particulars, viz. The Nineteen merk-land of Bergatton, Bellimach and Greenoch, with the Walk mill of Greenoch, and the House, Garden, growing Oak Wood and Planting thereof, lying in the Parish of Balmaghie, paying of free yearly Rent, L. 1182 17 08 Scots. Item, The Lands of Barclay, in the Parish of Rerick, yearly free Rent, L. 240 Scots. Item, The Lands known by the Name of The Merks and Barleb, the Lands of Kirkbride and Gribbie, in the Parish of Kirkcudbright, free yearly Rent, L. 437 04 00 Scots.



Scots. Item, The Lands of Upper Drumconchra, Nether-Drumconchra and Cuffad, in the Parish of Kirkpatrick, free yearly Rent, L. 272 17 00 Scots. Item, The Lands of Upper Culquhae, Nether-Culquhae, and Bridge-end of Tarcroft, in the Parish of Tungland, yearly free Rent, L. 448 02 08 Scots; all lying in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright and holding of the Crown, except the Lands of Culquhae, which hold of the Family of Kenmure: As also, a large Yard for keeping Timber, in the Bush of Leith, seated of the Town of Edinburgh, wherein there is a Parcel of good Blue Selate to be sold, which belonged to the said Samuel Maclellan. Particulars to be seen in the Hands of said Alexander Mitchel Writer to the Signet, at his Chamber at the Head of Goodford-cloffe, Lawnmarket, Edinburgh.

¶ That Tomorrow, the 16th instant, at 10 of the Clock before Noon, There is to be exposed to Sale, by publick Roup, in the House at the head of the Turnpike, upon the Southside of the Street, a little below the Canongate Cross, Beds, Tables, Chairs, Drawers, Looking-glasses and several other Sorts of Household Furniture.

¶ That, the MIDSUMMER LINEN CLOTH MERCAT of Perth, is to begin upon Wednesday the 11th of June next, and to continue to the 24th of that Month inclusive.

¶ That upon Tuesday the Third of June next, there is to be exposed by way of voluntary Roup, upon the Mains of Castle-Lyon, lying within the Parish of Longforgan, and Sheffordom of Perth, a considerable Number of Horses and Mares of the best Kinds, young and old, some of them fit for Hunting and Riding, and others for Coaches and Carriage: AS ALSO, a considerable Number of Cows and Calves, all of them of a large Size, and of the finest Kinds; And likewise several young Bulls of the biggest Dutch and English Kind: Any Person that inclines to buy, must either pay the Price offered by him in ready Money, or find sufficient Security therefore, payable against Martinmas next; and in Case of his paying ready Money, he is to have a discount of five per Cent of the Price offered.

¶ That upon Thursday the 12th of June next, within the House of Mrs. Thom Vintner in Edinburgh, between the Hours of 3 & 4 in the Afternoon; Is to be Sold by voluntary Roup, the Barony of KILMARONOCK, holding Blanche of the Crown, having the Privilege of a Regality, lying in the Parish of Kilmaronock and Shire of Dumbarton, and paying yearly L. 1790. 5b. 4 Scots in Money, 145 Bolls 1 Firlok Meal, at 9 Stone 6 Pound weight the Boll, 136 Bolls 1 Firlok Bear, large Measure, 8 Bolls Oats, 768 Sheaves Straw, 151 Hens, 245 Loads of Peats, and 2 5 Days work, all of Feu-Duty, and free from Cess: And whereof the Rental, Progress, and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of Mr. HUGH CRAWFORD Clerk to the Signet, at Edinburgh, or of HUGH CRAWFORD Writer, at Glasgow.

¶ The voluntary Roup and Sale of the Lands, &c. of OVERGRANGE, is now put off to the 20th of June next, then to be put up in John's Coffehouse, betwixt 2 & 4 a clock after Noon; viz. the Overgrange, being a most pleasant and convenient Dwelling for any Nobleman or Gentleman; consisting of 10 Fire-Rooms, with well contrived and finished Closets and Garrets, a good Kitchen, two Cellars, Brewhouse, Stables, Barns, and all other Officehouses requisite, two pleasant and profitable Fruit Gardens, two Inclosures and a Dovecote; all which being much beautified with Planting, (the whole above Particulars not recited) paying of yearly free Rent, three Chalders Bear, one Chalders Oats, a Free-stone Quarry paying 100 l. Scots yearly, with several Lime-stone Quarries very capable of Improvement; the Carriage of 60 Load of Coals, the grazing of some Sheep for the Use of the Family, and a Seat in the Kirk of Burghisland. The Lands hold Feu of the Crown; and ly within half a Mile of Burntisland. Particulars may be seen in the Hands of Alexander Mitchel of that Name, Writer to the Signet, at his House in the Bank-cloffe Head, Lawn Market. The Beauty and Convenience of the Situation and other Properties of the Mansionhouse, &c. cannot be sufficiently prized without seeing the same.

By the Trustees for the Creditors of MERCHISTON,

These are to advertise, That the Lands and Barony of Merchiston, lying within a Mile of Edinburgh, lately belonging to John Lewis of Merchiston, holding Feu of the Crown for Payment of 4 l. yearly; and a small Parcel of Land holding Feu of the Town of Edinburgh, comprehending the Lands and Parks formerly kept by the Heritor in his own Hand, now sett to Rentrollor, with the Mansionhouse of Merchiston, Gardens and Officehouses, and a good deal of well-grown barren Planting, the Parks being abt. 44 Acres, beside the Gardens, all well inclosed with Stone and Lime Dikes; also the Lands of Myreside, Tipperline, Sunderland, Gorgie-muir, Dunconlee, Tyneshill, and Craig-Ingilis, all set in Tenantry; the Whole paying yearly about 2990 l. of Money, 97 Bolls 1 Peck Wheat, 184 Bolls 2 Firlok Bear, 32 Bolls Oats, 4 Bolls Pease, 93 Hens, 156 Carriages and 10 Tulse of Straw, of free Rent, after Deduction of the Crown's Feu and the Teind payable to the Bishoprick of Edinburgh, beside the Rent of the Gardens and Coathouses; and besides a Duty of Two hundred Pounds Scots yearly payable by the Town of Edinburgh during the continuance of the Gift of Two Pennies on the Pint of Ale; also the Feu duties payable by William Adam, James Bayne and Richard Johnston, which amount yearly to 1133 l. 2 sh. 6 d. Scots: ARE all to be Sold, in Whole or Parcels, by the TRUSTEES for the Creditors of the said John Lewis, upon the Second Friday of June next, in the House of William Gray Vintner in the Assembly Cloffe, Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 4 in the Afternoon. The Rental, Progress of Writs and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of JAMES HAUBURTON, Writer to the Signet and Clerk to the Trustees, at his Chamber in the Luckenbooths.

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